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PHIL'S PAGE



OUR win at Brentford on Tuesday night was special for a number of reasons. It is tremendous that we've got another away win under our belts—that's always pleasing. But this came at what I regard as a vital stage of the season and was the result of a very encouraging performance.

I've said all along that I would probably be able to assess our situation after a dozen games or so. The fact that we reach that point today on the back of such

a good team performance in London obviously gives us a lot to build on.

The task now is to discipline ourselves to approach the next game with all the determination and concentration we can manage. The performance on the field is vital, but I think the fans are playing their part too. I really think they are pushing us along very nicely indeed.

Hopefully this afternoon we won't be giving our opponents a two-goal start—as we've been accustomed to doing recently. Against Wigan here a fortnight ago we showed enough spirit to fight back and claim all three points. At Crewe last Saturday it was a different kettle of fish but again the players had enough determination to turn in a quite remarkable second half performance, which brought us a draw we thoroughly deserved.

I've been pleased as Punch with the character of the team but I think it goes without saying that we can't afford to give ourselves that sort of handicap on a regular basis.

The interesting thing about this afternoon's game, of course, is the fact that David Reeves will come up against his twin brother Alan. It's a special occasion for the Reeves family and we welcome them to Burnden Park and congratulate them on what must be a very proud and memorable occasion.

Having seen the two lads at close quarters I can tell you that although they are not identical they certainly have a number of similarities. See what you think!



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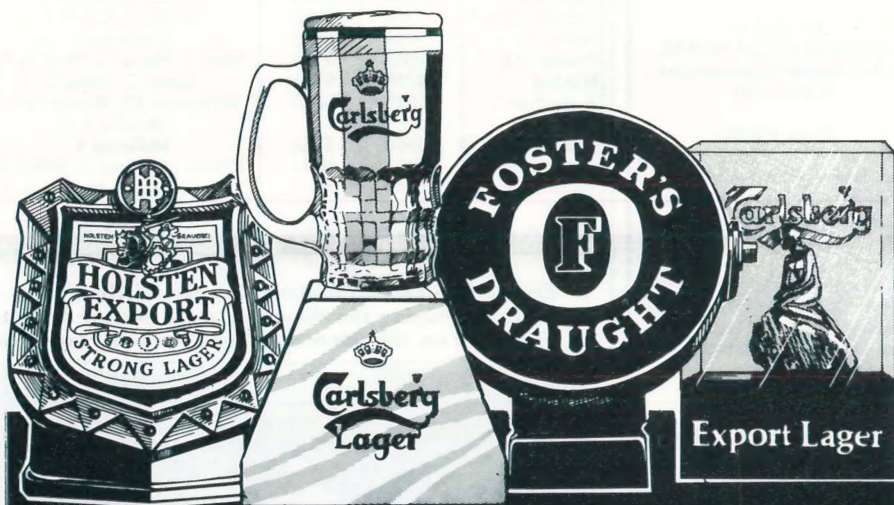
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Birmingham C	9337	6265	Bailey 8, Sturridge 4
Blackpool	4490	4276	Briggs 4, Gabbiadini 4
Bolton W.	5929	5528	Philliskirk 7, Reeves 6
Brentford	5356	5681	May 5
Bristol C.	9975	8120	Taylor 8
Bristol R.	5373	5259	Mehew 5, Penrice 4
Bury	3320	3367	Cunningham 5, Greenwood 4, Robinson 4
Cardiff C.	4430	4384	Pike 4
Chester C.	2171	3055	Newhouse 4
Crewe A.	3511	3296	Sussex 5, Clayton 4, Gardiner 4
Fulham	4540	4938	Skinner 4
Huddersfield T.	5906	5821	Cecere 4, Wilson 4, Smith 4
Leyton Orient	4663	3793	Cooper 5, Castle 5
Mansfield T.	2918	4005	Charles 4, Christie 4
Northampton T.	3368	3918	Collins 5, Adcock 4
Notts Co.	5416	5675	Chapman 4
Preston N.E.	6505	7737	Shaw 7, Harper 5, Mooney 4
Reading	4210	5105	Senior 7, Gilkes 5
Rotherham U.	5649	5063	Williamson 13, Mendonca 6, Buckley 4
Shrewsbury T.	3960	4760	McGinley 4
Swansea C.	3333	4896	Melville 5, Raynor 5, Salako 4
Tranmere R.	6943	5331	Muir 12, Malkin 10, Bishop 4
Walsall	4279	6108	Rimmer 4
Wigan A.	2575	3151	Hilditch 4

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Primarily, I am interested in songs which are specific to one club, as opposed to the nationwide chants which are universally used.

Anything will do, however abusive or malicious, as 'editorial discretion' can be used if needs be.

Thanks very much for your help.

Yours faithfully,
Rob Merrills

LITTLEWOODS ATTENDANCES HIT SIX YEAR HIGH

Total attendances in this year's Littlewoods Challenge Cup Competition have reached a six year high. Aggregate attendances for the first two rounds have reached 874,000 — more than 110,000 increase on last year's figure. This represents a 15% rise in competition gates this season.

Aggregate gates for Rounds One and Two of the Littlewoods Cup for the last 6 years are as shown below:

Littlewoods Challenge Cup

	Round 1	Round 2
1983/84	216,901	644,518
1984/85	196,143	656,593
1985/86	192,079	527,273
1986/87	174,554	489,745
1987/88	218,260	570,743
1988/89	222,208	538,420
1989/90	226,534	647,824

SENDING-OFF STANDS FIRM

Over at Oldham, Club Secretary, Terry Cale, tells of his son, Michael's debut match in the Middlesex Amateur Football League. His side, N.C.R., found their opponents to be none other than the Tunisian Embassy, in their opening fixture.

Sixty minutes into the game, the Tunisian centre half was sent off but declined to leave the field. A passing policeman, who was asked for his assistance was then informed that the player had

claimed diplomatic immunity and was refusing to go.

The game was then abandoned and awaits a special meeting of the league committee—and The Foreign Office.

HEAVENS ABOVE SKY CHANNEL COMPLETES THE PICTURE!

League clubs will this week discuss a proposal for satellite television coverage of the Zenith Data Systems Cup and Leyland DAF Cup. TV rights for both competitions are part of a prospective £4.5 million, three-year deal with Sky Channel.

Arrangements for coverage to begin this season are expected to be approved in principle at regional meetings of clubs beginning on Monday. All the League's competitions will then be guaranteed television exposure until 1992.

SIMON'S AWARD

Former Wanderers' forward Simon Rudge was recently declared 'Mail on Sunday' Player of the Month in non league circles. Rudge, who clocked up 90 League appearances for the Whites, moved to Northern Premier League side Hyde United in 1986.



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PLAYER PROFILE

MARK CAME



Name: Mark Came
Place/Date of Birth: Exeter, Devon.

Married: Yes, Denise.

Children: Shaun 6yrs, Paul 4yrs, Mark 2 yrs, Hayley 10 weeks (she's the last!)

Favourite Other

Team: Stoke City

Favourite Away

Ground: Aston Villa

Best Player you have seen in your position: Dennis Smith

Best Goal scored and how: My first against Doncaster off a superb cross off Jeff Chandler.

Best Goal seen: Deano's at Wembley

Best Sporting

Moment outside football:

Beating Phil Gartside at tennis.

The Liveliest

Character you have met in football: Trevor Morgan but Jeff Chandler when he's had a drink or two!!!

Details of your First Match:

Thanks for bringing this one up. Notts County away, we got beat 6-1.

Your worst moment on the football field: Breaking my leg.

The funniest incident you have seen on a football pitch: Trevor Morgan outrun a defender.

Your best pal in football: All my teammates + J. Thomas

The best and worst dressers among your team mates:

Jeff Chandler
Ian Stevens

Do you have any hobbies: Not really
With which sports star would you like to change places for a day?: Nigel Mansell

Your favourite newspaper: Star

Your favourite holiday spot: Majorca

Biggest risk taken in your life: Marrying Denise.

Happiest moment outside football: Having children.



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CHESTER CITY



This afternoon we extend a warm welcome to the players, officials and supporters of Chester City. City will come to Bumden in good heart after a superb 4-0 midweek win over Birmingham City at Sealand Road. Croft, Pugh, Painter and Butler were

the scorers. This was only their second League victory of the season, the other was back on September 2nd, 2-1 at home to Crewe. At home Chester have drawn with Notts County (3-3) and lost to Mansfield (0-2), Fulham (0-2) and Bury (1-4). On their travels Chester have earned 1-1 draws at Brentford, Reading and Cardiff but lost to Swansea (1-2) and Preston (0-5). Crewe knocked them out of the Littlewoods Cup on a 6-0 aggregate in the first round.

Last season was a successful one for Harry McNally's side, who finished a highly respectable 8th, four points short of a play-off place. Five defeats in their last eight games put paid to any promotion aspirations. Chester had a settled side with ten players making 30 appearances or more. Striker Carl Dale made a tremendous impact in his first League season after signing from Bangor City and scored 23 goals. Dale has been out injured recently and with injury problems to other players too Chester's small squad has been down to the bare bones. When all their players are fit again Chester should soon enjoy better fortunes, as the game against Birmingham indicated.

Chester City 1988-89 League

Home

P 46 W 12 D 6 L 5 F 38 A 18

Away

W 7 D 5 L 11 F 26 A 43

Pts 68 (8th)

Most League Appearances

Stewart 46, Woodthorpe 44, Jakub 42, Dale 38 + 3, Abel 40, Hinnigan 38 + 1, Johnson 35 + 3, Barrow 35, Lightfoot 31 + 5, Butler 34 + 1

Top Scorers

Dale 22, Johnson 10, Lightfoot 7, O'Keefe 4

This Season 1989-90

Scorers (Lge & Cup to date)

Newhouse 4, Croft 2, London 2, Abel 1, Butler 1, Dale 1, Lightfoot 1, Painter 1, Pugh 1.

Goalkeeper **Billy Stewart** served his apprenticeship at Liverpool but it was on moving to Wigan Athletic that he made his League debut. Last season he was an everpresent in the Chester side and passed 100 League appearances and is now in his fourth season with the club. **Alan Reeves** was signed during the summer from Norwich City. The Birkenhead born defender failed to break into the Canaries' League side but had a three month loan spell at Gillingham last season when he chalked up 18 appearances. **Colin Woodthorpe** is a talented young left back who has already made 100 appearances during his short professional career. He hails from Ellesmere Port.

Joe Hinnigan is a vastly experienced defender who has made over 350 League appearances. He began his League career with Wigan Athletic and subsequently played for Sunder-

FACT FILE

Season	Div.	Position	League		Most Apps	Top Scorer
			Lge Cup	FA Cup		
1984-85	4	16th	1	1	Walker 41, Dixon 40+1	Rimmer 14
1985-86	4	2nd	2	1	Lane, Coy 44	Rimmer 16
1986-87	3	15th	1	4	Butler, Greenough 44	Bennett, Rimmer 13
1987-88	3	15th	1	1	Abel 45	Rimmer 24
1988-89	3	8th	2	2	Stewart 46	Dale 22



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land, Preston, Gillingham and Wrexham before joining Chester before the start of last season. **Graham Abel** made his reputation with some fine defensive displays for Northwich Victoria and has proved to be a shrewd signing for Chester, having made over 150 League appearances. **Chris Lightfoot** came up through the YTS scheme and was voted 'Young Player of the Year' last season when he featured regularly in the first team.

Barry Butler is another player plucked from non-league, joining Chester from Atherton L.R. The versatile Farnworth born defender or midfielder celebrated his 100th League appearance last season. **David Pugh** was a close season signing from Conference club Runcom and is a promising midfield player who made his League bow this season. **Aiden Newhouse** made his Chester League debut as a 15 year old at Bury in May 1988. The talented Wallasey-born forward played five times for England Youth last season. **Sean Landon** is another versatile player who served his apprenticeship at Everton. He scored a spectacular goal in



Back Row (left to right): S. Walker, M. Lane, G. Abel, C. Lightfoot, D. Pugh, W. Stewart, B. Butler, A. Reeves, C. Woodthorpe, A. Newhouse.
Middle Row: C. Dale, D. Hamilton, G. Barrow, H. McNally (Manager), J. Hinnigan, E. O'Keefe, B. Croft.

Front Row: D. Wynne, R. Painter, S. Landon, M. Carroll.

the recent game against Bury.

Brian Croft rejoined the club during the summer after a season at Cambridge U. The local born winger was originally a product of Chester's youth policy. **Darren Wynne** was born at St. Asaph and has graduated to the professional ranks via the youth sides. The young midfielder made his League bow as substitute on a few occasions last season. **Eamon O'Keefe** came back into League football with Chester towards the end of last season after a spell as player/manager at Cork City. The Eire International midfielder or forward played previously for Everton, Wigan, Port Vale and Blackpool and has proved a regular goal scorer throughout his career.

Carl Dale proved to be a fine signing from Bangor City in June 1988, scoring 23 goals in all games last season including Chester's winner at Burnley last December, Wanderers' last home defeat. **Martin Lane** re-

joined Chester in January 1989 after a spell with Coventry City. The popular defender made 175 appearances during his first spell with the club but played only a few first team games for Coventry. **Graham Barrow** is the assistant manager at Seal-and Road. The experienced midfielder player made his League bow at Wigan Athletic after playing local non league football with Chorley and Altrincham. He came to Chester to team up again with Harry McNally and has made around 300 League appearances and proved a regular goal scorer. **Peter Painter** is a teenaged midfield player, born in Ince, who was a trainee at Sealand Road and has made occasional first team appearances so far.

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Home and Away

AROUND THE LEAGUES (Saturday)

Just eight games played and the FIRST DIVISION looking so familiar once again with LIVERPOOL as pace-makers just ahead of champions ARSENAL and unbeaten NORWICH in third spot.

A repeat of the 1988 FA Cup Final was staged at Plough Lane where visitors Liverpool this time overcame the Dons with a 2-1 victory. Manchester City's scoring machine came to an abrupt halt at Highbury where Arsenal ran out 4-0 winners. Meanwhile at Old Trafford, Manchester United failed once again, this time Ron Atkinson's Sheffield Wednesday battled to gain their

first away point of the season in this scoreless draw.

In DIVISION TWO leaders SHEFFIELD UNITED suffered their first home defeat of the season at the hands of WEST HAM and LEEDS 2-0 home win over SUNDERLAND took them to joint leadership. BLACKBURN made the long trek to PORTSMOUTH and picked up a valuable away point in this 1-1 draw. OLDHAM too travelled south to BOURNE-MOUTH but Bolton-born Paul Moulden netted as early as the 2nd minute to set up a 2-0 victory for the home side. Bolton's next Littlewoods Cup opposition, Swindon, scored a 3-0 home win over Ipswich.

The THIRD DIVISION is so far wide open after 10 games played. Newly promoted TRANMERE share the leadership with BRISTOL ROVERS. Notts County scored a narrow 1-0 home win over Tranmere, whilst Bristol picked up a valuable away point at BURY with a 0-0 scoreline.

Ex Wanderer Warren Joyce was on target for PRESTON in their 4-2 victory over BRENTFORD at Deepdale and bottom club WIGAN pocketed just one point from their 0-0 draw with SHREWSBURY at Springfield Park.

Bolton's trip down the M6 to CREWE produced a valuable away point in a 2-2 draw. For the second consecutive game the Superwhites had to show true grit and character to pull back a two goal deficit after Clayton and Callaghan had given the Railwaymen a 2-0 half time lead. Shortly after the restart David Reeves pulled one back

and the same player netted again four minutes from time to level and hoist his personal season goal tally to five. Today's visitors had a Friday evening encounter at Cardiff and picked up a point in a 1-1 draw.

IN MID-WEEK

The THIRD DIVISION carried a full programme and BOLTON faced a difficult task at Griffin Park where manager Steve Perryman included himself in BRENTFORD's line up. The 'Bees' haven't enjoyed their best start to the campaign and are at present in a false position. A goal in each half by hot-shot David Reeves secured a well earned victory by the odd goal in three. David's double strike took his tally to seven so far and four goals in the last two outings on away territory. Brentford refused to lie down and David Felgate had to come to Wanderers rescue with three vital saves in the second half. The victory leapfrogged Bolton into the top six, just 3 points behind the current leaders. CHESTER will come to Burnden today in cock-a-hoop mood after having a convincing 4-0 victory over Birmingham at Sealand Road.

Neighbours BURY went into a 3-0 half time lead against SWANSEA but two strikes in the second period from the visitors reduced the arrears to keep the 3,000 spectators on their toes. PRESTON and CREWE ended scoreless and BLACKPOOL finished on the reverse of a 4-2 scoreline at NORTHAMPTON. Bottom side WIGAN failed to improve at HUDDERSFIELD, losing 2-0 and still looking for their first win.

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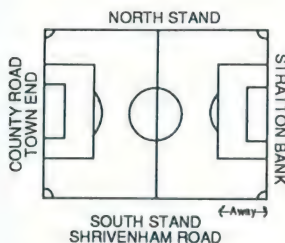
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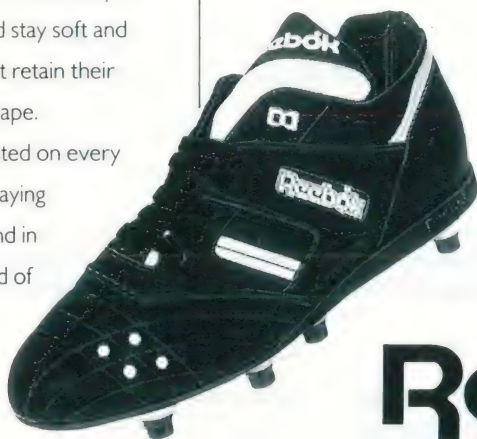
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21st October



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1893—Two first half goals from James Cassidy and William McArthur gave Bolton a 2-0 home win over Wolves to pull them away from the foot of the table.

1899—The Wanderers entertained Woolwich Arsenal with a late kick off as the visitors were late in arriving. A crowd of 4,000 paid receipts of £141 to see Tom Barlow hit the Wanderers winner in the 65th minute.

1922—A visit to Aston Villa ended in a 2-0 defeat with the Wanderers still searching for a centre forward to replace Frank Roberts who had joined Manchester City. Villa's goals came from Walker and York.

1933—Hull City inflicted Bolton's first away defeat since the opening day of the season with an 8th minute goal from Wunscoat settling the issue. The defeat saw the Wanderers slip to second place in Division Two with Port Vale taking over at the top.

1939—The first game of the North West division of the War regional league took place with Bolton visiting Burnley. It was a strange sight

to see Burnley turning out in white whilst the Wanderers paraded a claret and blue strip. The game ended in a 1-1 draw with the Wanderers goal coming from a Harry Hubbick penalty, the fullback and captain of the side having the pleasure of scoring against his old club.

1944—Hubbick was still captain of the Wanderers when they visited Burnley again in the Northern section of the football league. Unfortunately this time they were on the end of a 6-3 defeat.

1961—A Dennis Stevens goal was enough to give Bolton the points against Wolves at Burnden.

1978—A crowd of 32,249 saw a 2-2 thriller against Manchester City at Burnden. The Wanderers goal twins, Alan Gowling and Frank Worthington were once again on the mark whilst Roger Palmer and Gary Owen were the City scorers.

1986—Bolton defeated Blackpool at Burnden thanks to a Steve Thompson goal that ended a run of five games without success.



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BELOW LEFT: Phil Brown meets a header in the Mansfield goal area.
ABOVE RIGHT: David Reeves in goal-mouth scramble.
BELOW RIGHT: David Reeves feels the pain as he is checked by Mansfield skipper Mark Kearney.



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Last week on 'Kick-Off' they did a feature on the 'Bros boys David Reeves and Tony Philliskirk, with David only saying on that interview that he was due for scoring some more goals. Well, less than 24 hours later, there he was banging a couple in to salvage a point at Crewe. Do defenders really get mixed up when they play against the boys? Well, according to Tony Philliskirk they sometimes do, mentioning the recent encounter at Watford as an example when Glenn Roeder mistook David Reeves incident to be Tony.

Today's visitors, Chester City, have not had the best of starts this season but they are always a tough nut to crack especially on their travels, and today will be no different

with Harry McNally's boys giving 100% in work-rate and effort. In the Chester side today should be Alan Reeves, whose brother is of course our own David. Alan joined City this season from Norwich and has settled in well in defence, which means he will be looking to keep David quiet this afternoon. A win today for the Whites would make up somewhat for the defeat here last season by Chester in what was a most forgettable game, in fact that was the last League defeat suffered by us at home over ten months ago.

The Third Division is now taking shape with Tranmere doing the early pace-setting with some fine high scoring performances at Prenton Park. Bristol Rovers as expected are up there and they've just gone six games without conceding a goal—which is a tremendous achievement. Local rivals Bury have also had a fine start to the season particularly away from home with four wins out of five. Down in the basement area of the Third are today's visitors Chester, Cardiff—who we beat on the opening day of the season at Ninian Park, and fellow local rivals Wigan Athletic—who up to date had only managed to score twice at home in five League games.

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Reserve NEWS

PONTIN'S LEAGUE FIXTURES 1989/90

Aug. 23	Sheffield W.	A
30	Stoke C.	H
Sep. 6	West Bromwich A.	A
13	York City	H
19	Burnley	A
20	Littlewoods Cup 2/1L	
27	Blackpool	H
Oct. 2	Mansfield T.	A
4	Littlewoods Cup 2/2L	
11	Preston N.E.	H
18	Port Vale	A
25	Wolverhampton W.	H
Nov. 8	Wigan Ath.	H
15	Sunderland	A
22	Scunthorpe Utd.	A
29	Barnsley	H
Dec. 5	Grimsby T.	A
13	Middlesborough	H
19	Rotherham Utd.	A
3	Stoke City	A
10	Sheffield W.	H
17	York City	A
24	West Brom. Albion	H
31	Burnley	H
Feb. 7	Blackpool	A
12	Preston N.E.	A
14	Littlewoods Cup SF/1L	
21	Mansfield T.	H
28	Barnsley	A
Mar. 5	Port Vale	H
14	Scunthorpe Utd.	H
28	Wolverhampton W.	A
Apr. 4	Grimsby T.	H
10	Middlesborough	A
18	Rotherham Utd.	H
30	Wigan Ath.	A
May 2	Sunderland	H

27th September, 1989.
Bolton Wanderers Reserves 0
Blackpool Reserves 1

After getting off the mark the previous week at Burnley, the reserves were expected to once again take the points from Blackpool.

Unfortunately it just wasn't Bolton's night as they saw what few chances they did create go wide of the target, had the issue settled by an own goal and had substitute Neil Fisher harshly sent off twelve minutes from time.

The only goal came in the 18th minute when Nicky Spooner overhit his attempted back pass from 20 yards and the ball flew over Dave Felgate and into the roof of the net.

Seven minutes later Spooner almost made amends when he got clear of the Blackpool defence but his left foot drive from a difficult angle went agonisingly past the wrong side of the post.

Neil Fisher, who replaced the injured Nicky Brookman, went close with a header from a left wing cross by Phil Neal in the 61st minute and it was to everyone's amazement that Fisher was sent off the field after a challenge with David Eyres.

Ian Stevens had the opportunity to salvage something for Bolton two minutes from time when he latched

on to an Alan Stubbs clearance to go clear of the visitors defence but he appeared to get caught in two minds and the opportunity was wasted.

Team: Felgate, P. Hughes, Neal, Spooner, Came, Stubbs, Brookman, Oliver, Stevens, Jeffrey, Chandler. Subs: Fisher for Brookman, K. Hughes for Chandler.

The Wanderers Youth team went out of the F.A. Youth Cup at the first qualifying round with a 2-0 defeat at Halifax Town. Despite having most of the play they were twice caught out and now look to the Lancashire Youth Cup for success.

Team: Sharrocks, Mason, Coffey, Hart, Stubbs, Bentham, Lewin, Oliver, Jeffrey, K. Hughes, Edge. Subs: Williams, Birkes.

PONTIN'S LEAGUE-DIVISION 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Stoke City	7	5	1	1	16	7	16
West Brom. A.	7	4	1	2	15	6	13
Rotherham Utd.	7	4	1	2	12	7	13
Sunderland	7	3	3	1	9	5	12
Preston N.E.	7	4	0	3	8	7	12
Barnsley	6	3	1	2	11	9	10
Port Vale	7	3	1	3	16	16	10
Wigan Ath.	7	3	1	3	10	11	10
Scunthorpe Utd.	6	3	0	3	9	8	9
Middlesbrough	6	1	5	0	5	3	8
Sheffield Wed.	7	2	2	3	9	8	8
Wolverhampton W.	7	1	5	1	9	8	8
Burnley	7	2	2	3	9	11	8
Blackpool	7	2	2	3	7	14	8
Mansfield T.	7	2	2	3	5	15	8
Bolton Wanderers	7	2	1	4	12	16	7
York City	6	2	0	4	11	15	6
Grimsby T.	7	0	2	5	7	14	2



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WHERE ARE THEY NOW

The Waldron family were renowned in footballing circles in the 70's, with Alan at Bolton and brother Colin at Burnley.

Alan joined the Wanderers straight from school and came through the ranks, developing into a good ball playing midfielder. He made his debut against Leyton Orient, "That was when Nat was manager", he explained. There was an abundance of good youngsters around at the time such as Garry Jones, Paul Jones, Peter Reid and Neil Whatmore to name a few.

During Alan's spell at Bolton he featured in three important games, recalling firstly the League Cup game against Manchester City. Alan said, "I recall being unable to get to the Ground for traffic. At our age it was the biggest game we had ever had and we won 3-0 thanks to a Garry Jones hat trick. We could have won by more—it was our Cup Final."

Then there were other equally important Cup games, a semi final against Everton in the League and a quarter final televised tie against Newcastle in the F.A. Cup. Alan explained, "We drew 3-3 at Burnden then 0-0 at St. James Park before losing 2-1 at Leeds. Garry scored the goal but we never got going and it was a similar story against Everton when we lost 1-0."

In 1974 Alan Waldron was set to move to Liverpool. He said, "Bill Shankly had agreed terms with Jimmy Armfield when Roy Greaves did his

cartilage and the transfer was shelved pending Roy's return. His first game back was at Blackpool—a game that was televised and one in which I broke my leg. Liverpool signed Terry McDermott instead." That break took exactly 12 months to heal and Alan explained, "Jimmy helped me back to recovery and at the time it felt O.K. but looking back it wasn't and it was 18 months after before I had fully recovered."

Striving for full fitness Alan spent 8 months in America in 1976 playing for Chicago Stings where Bill Foulkes was manager. This was followed by spells playing in Hong Kong and Australia where Alan could have stayed but he returned and joined Blackpool at a fee of £20,000 set by the industrial tribunal. After two seasons at Blackpool he joined Bury still looking to regain the kind of form that had attracted the interest of Bill Shankly.

Nowadays Alan keeps his hand in by playing charity games and since finishing playing professionally, he ran a newsagents business in Castleton before selling up to fully concentrate on his thriving building business. He said, "Our work is all new build and we currently have three sites in operation." He also runs a 40-bedroom Nursing Home in Rochdale along with his American wife.

Of the game today Alan says, "It's a lot quicker and players now have to be athletes and this has spoiled the game a little. I hardly ever watch a game but if I did it would be at Bolton where my roots still are."



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RECOLLECTIONS



The Wanderers will today be looking to end a dismal run of results against Chester who remain as one of only four clubs that Bolton have faced in the League and never defeated. The other three are Crewe Alexandra, Hartlepool United and Scunthorpe United.

Indeed Chester were the last team to win at Burnden Park when a 70th minute goal from Carl Dale last December gave them the points.

Since then the Wanderers have gone 18 League games without defeat on home soil but are still 9 behind the club record of 27 which was set between April 1919 and October 1921. During this period the club equalled their best ever League performance by finishing third in 1920/21 and incredible as it may seem Joe Smith found the net in all but 7 games with a total of 32 goals to his name.

Chester's only other League visit to Burnden came in

October 1986 with a game of two halves resulting in a 1-1 draw. In windy conditions Steve Elliott gave the Wanderers a 36th minute lead, Mark Gavin's cross wrong footing Chester 'keeper John Butler. It was the visitors who had the advantage in the second half and they equalised with an angled shot from the edge of the penalty area by Peter Houghton.

The two League encounters between the clubs at Sealand Road have both ended goalless. In March 1987, on a heavy pitch under a blanket of snow, Chester recorded their 16th draw of the season whilst last season's result virtually ended Chester's hopes of a play off spot.

Bolton have also been on the receiving end of three cup defeats at the hands of Chester during the 1989's. In the League Cup Chester have twice come from behind to wipe out first leg defeats at the first round stage whilst in the Freight Rover Trophy the Wanderers went down 2-1 at Burnden in the Northern Quarter Final of the 1987 competition. The Wanderers only Cup success over Chester came in 1972/73 F.A. Cup Competition with a 1-0 win at Sealand Road in a first round replay.

Our overall League record against Chester is as follows:

	P	W	D	L	F	A
Home	2	0	1	1	1	2
Away	2	0	2	0	0	0
Total	4	0	3	1	1	2





Burnden Park was completed on August 10th and used for the first time a week later when the Club's ninth annual Athletic Festival was held. A total of 35,000 passed through the gates on the Saturday and Bank Holiday Monday, the novelty of the new ground increasing the previous years attendance by 10,000.

The Wanderers commenced the season with two away games, losing 2-0 at Stoke and winning 3-0 at Bury, in the first ever First Division game at Gigg Lane.

Football was first played at Burnden on September 11th when the Wanderers took on Preston in a benefit for full back, David Jones, who had captained the club for the previous six years. A crowd of 3,000 saw the

winner come from the boot of Smith, for the visitors, late in the game.

Three days later 15,000 attended the opening League game at Burnden. The four o'clock kick off was preceded by a cycle race, Everton were then beaten 3-1, the first goal coming from James Martin for the Wanderers in the 25th minute.

A 2-1 win at Small Heath put the Wanderers joint top of the League with Stoke. Robert Jack, who had signed from Alloa, was given his League debut in this game and so began an affinity that was to see the name become one of the most famous in the history of the club.

Bury became the first and only side to win a League game at Burnden during the season but five wins in the next six games kept the

Wanderers in the second position.

The first fatality at Burnden was recorded when, during a 3-1 win over Stoke, a spectator on the railway embankment, climbing for a better view, fell in front of an oncoming coal train. Stoke were to be the visitors fifty one years later when the embankment witnessed one of the worst disasters at a football ground when 33 people lost their lives.

Burnden Park caused the club plenty of headaches. The pitch was constantly waterlogged, six inches deep in places, the track around the pitch was breaking up due to the elements and the overall drainage left a lot to be desired. Indeed the reserves had to switch a home game against Oswaldtwistle to Pikes Lane which was now a





dreary place and half built on.

Erratic form again returned with only one win in the last eight games of 1895. A Boxing Day defeat at Derby produced record receipts for the home club and two days later a game with Preston at Burnden was abandoned at half time with no score when North End refused to come out owing to the state of the pitch.

New Year saw a change in fortunes with only one defeat in eleven League games. On New Year's Day the Wanderers attracted 17,000 for the visit of Derby with record receipts of £484. The Wanderers won 2-1 and three days later defeated Wolves 4-0 also on home soil. Unfortunately during this game, the club's centre forward and leading scorer, Willie Joyce, broke his leg

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Bolton Wanderers in September 1895

Openers at Burnden

Back Row

**J. McGeachan,
W. Brierley,
J. Somerville, D. Jones,
J.W. Sutcliffe,
R. Isherwood.**

Middle Row

**A. Paton, J. Martin,
W. Joyce, A. Freebairn,
J. Cassidy.**

Front Row

R.N. Brown, J. Wright

whilst scoring the second goal, his season finished there and then.

Interest in both the Lancashire and Manchester cups ended in the first round but by the end of February the quarter finals of the F.A. Cup had been reached.

In successive weeks at Burnden, Small Heath were beaten 4-1 in a League game, Thomas Vail scoring on his debut after signing from Dundee, Bury were beaten 2-0 in the F.A. Cup quarter finals and League leaders and eventual champions Aston Villa were held to a 2-2 draw.

An F.A. Cup final appearance went by the board when bogey side Sheffield Wednesday won by 3-1 in a semi-final replay at the Town Ground Nottingham.

The only League defeat since the turn of the year came in a 5-0 drubbing at Wolves, but even with this defeat only Derby, who finished in second place, had a better defensive away record than Bolton. The final League game of the season saw some consolation gained for the cup defeat with a win over Wednesday, who had won the cup the week before, to take fourth position in the League.

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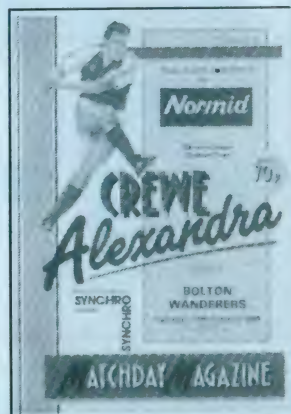
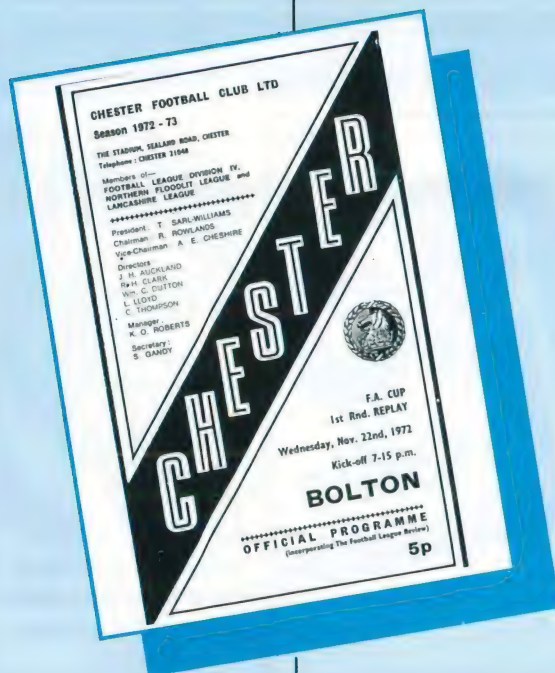
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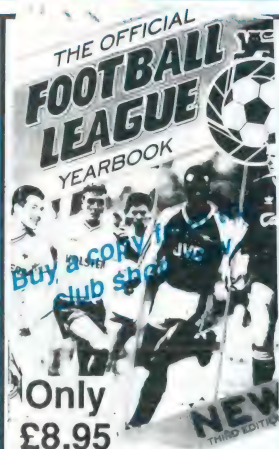


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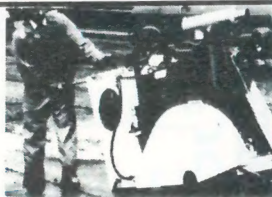
Wanderers longest serving player is midfield general Steve, who is still only 24. The 'Man of the Match' at Wembley in May. Steve had another outstanding game in the fine mid week win at Brentford.



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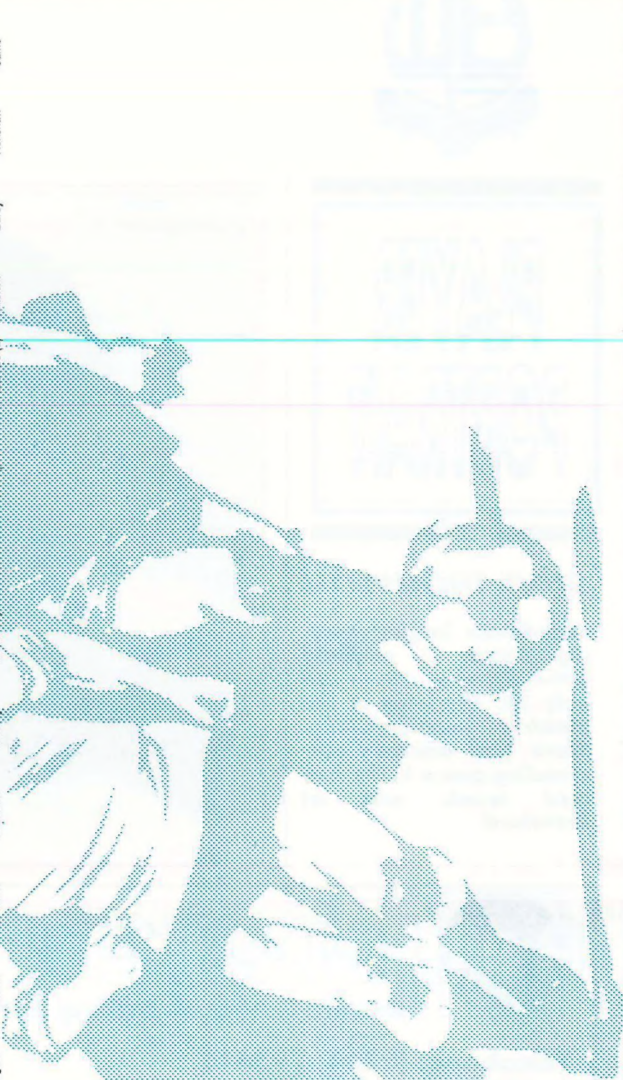


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	Cardiff
Aug. 19	22 Roundale (LC)
20	25 FULHAM
21	26 ROCHDALE (LC)
Sept. 2	9 Huddersfield T.
3	9 BRISTOL ROVERS
4	10 Rotherham Utd.
10	16 NOTTS (LC 2nd Rd-1)
11	17 NOTTS (1st Rd-1)
12	18 LEA COUNTY (Tue)
13	19 LEA COUNTY (Tue)
20	26 MANSELD TOWN
Oct. 3	3 Walsol (Tue) (LC 2nd Rd-2)
4	4 Wigan Athletic
14	14 Crewe Alex.
17	17 Brentford (Tue)
21	21 CHESTER CITY
24	24 Sandown Town (Tue) (LC 3rd)
25	25 Preston N.E.
26	26 Wigan Athletic
Nov. 1	1 SWANSEA CITY
2	2 Bristol City
18	18 (FA C1)
25	25 Birmingham C.
Dec. 2	2 NORTHAMPTON T.
3	3 (FA C2)
16	16 Shrewsbury T.
26	26 BLACKPOOL (Tue)
Jan. 6	6 Burnley
7	7 Rotherham B. Mon
8	8 BURNLEY
9	9 BURNLEY
16	16 BURNLEY
20	20 CARDIFF CITY
21	21 Bristol R. (Fri)
22	22 Bristol R. (Sat)
Feb. 3	3 Leyton Orient
10	10 ROTHERHAM UNITED
13	13 HUDDERSF T. (Tue)
17	17 Northampton T. (FA C5)
24	24 BIRMINGHAM CITY
Mar. 3	3 Reading
4	4 NOTTS (Tue) (FA C6)
10	10 NOTTS (Tue) (FA C6)
17	17 Wigan Ath.
20	20 CREWE ALEX.
24	24 BRENTFORD
31	31 Crewe C.
Apr. 7	7 PRESTON N.E. (FA C5F)
10	10 Walsol (Tue)
14	14 THAMESIDE ROVERS
15	15 Blackpool (Tue)
21	21 SHEFFS WARR T.
26	26 BRISTOL CITY
May 5	5 Swansea City
12	12 FA Cup Final

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TODAY'S MASCOT

Neil Jennings

Neil is 7 years old, lives in Gt. Lever and attends St. Williams School. His favourite position is left-back, and his favourite player is Mark Winstanley.

DIVISION THREE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Tranmere	11	7	1	3	25	8	22
Bury	11	6	4	1	20	12	22
Bristol R	11	6	4	1	12	4	22
Rotherham	11	6	3	2	26	12	21
Bristol C	11	6	2	3	14	13	20
Bolton	11	5	4	2	15	11	19
Hudd'f'd	11	5	4	2	15	13	19
Sh'bury	11	5	3	3	17	11	18
Birm'ham	11	6	0	5	17	16	18
Reading	11	3	7	1	15	9	16
Fulham	11	4	4	3	12	10	16
Notts Co	11	4	4	3	13	12	16
Walsall	11	4	3	4	12	14	15
Preston	11	4	2	5	20	20	14
N'hampton	11	4	2	5	14	16	14
Leyton O	11	4	0	7	14	20	12
Blackpool	11	3	2	6	11	16	11
Mansfield	10	3	2	5	6	12	11
Swansea	10	3	2	5	12	19	11
Crewe	11	2	4	5	15	19	10
Chester	11	2	4	5	14	22	10
Brentford	11	2	2	7	12	18	8
Cardiff	11	1	4	6	10	23	7
Wigan	11	0	5	6	7	18	5

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- 3 Barry COWDRILL
- 4 Paul COMSTIVE
- 5 Dean CROMBIE
- 6 Mark WINSTANLEY
- 7 Stuart STORER
- 8 Steve THOMPSON
- 9 David REEVES
- 10 Tony PHILLISKIRK
- 11 Julian DARBY
- 12
- 14

TODAYS LINE UP

CHESTER CITY
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- 1 Billy STEWART
- 2 Alan REEVES
- 3 Colin WOODTHORPE
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- 5 Graham ABEL
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